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President:	Mr. Kolby	(Norway)
Members:	Bulgaria	Mr. Tafrov
	Cameroon	Mr. Ngoh Ngoh
	China	Mr. Chen Xu
	Colombia	Mr. Valdivieso
	France	Mr. Levitte
	Guinea	Mr. Cheick Ahmed Camara
	Ireland	Mr. Corr
	Mauritius	Mr. Jingree
	Mexico	Mr. de Alba
	Russian Federation	Mr. Konuzin
	Singapore	Mr. Lip Cheng How
	Syrian Arab Republic	Mr. Mekdad
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Mr. Eldon
	United States of America	Mr. Rosenblatt

Agenda

The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Letter dated 18 March 2002 from the Democratic Republic of the Congo addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2002/286)

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The meeting was called to order at 4.40 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

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The President: I should like to inform the Council that I have received a letter from the representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo in which he requests to be invited to participate in the discussion of the item on the Council's agenda. In conformity with the usual practice, I propose, with the consent of the Council, to invite that representative to participate in the discussion, without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Ileka (Democratic Republic of the Congo) took a seat at the Council table.

The President: The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda.

The Security Council is meeting in response to the request dated 18 March 2002 from the Permanent Representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Council, document S/2002/286.

Members of the Council have before them document S/2002/290, which contains the text of a draft resolution prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

I should also like to draw the attention of the members of the Council to document S/2002/287, which contains the text of a letter dated 18 March 2002 from the Permanent Representative of Rwanda to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council.

I should like to draw attention to an addition to operative paragraph 4 of the draft resolution. At the end of paragraph 4, add the following words: "and that all other parties also withdraw from locations they occupy in contravention of the Kampala and Harare disengagement plan".

It is my understanding that the Council is ready to proceed to the vote on the draft resolution, as orally revised in its provisional form. Unless I hear any objection, I shall put the draft resolution to the vote now.

A vote was taken by show of hands.

In favour:

Bulgaria, Cameroon, China, Colombia, France, Guinea, Ireland, Mauritius, Mexico, Norway, Russian Federation, Singapore, Syrian Arab Republic, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

The President: There were 15 votes in favour. The draft resolution has been adopted unanimously as resolution 1399 (2002).

The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on its agenda.

The meeting rose at 4.45 p.m.